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NEWS FROM PETER C. ATKINS, CEO

Art At The Arboretum

Floating by Gerry Walburg

An important focus of The Arboretum is to explore ways in which to enhance our visiting guests' experiences and perceptions. One approach is to provide opportunities for our guests to gain more of an appreciation of both art in the garden as well as the notion of the garden as art.

Recently, the concept of art in the garden has been addressed in a variety of ways at The Arboretum. The year 2000 saw the invasion of David Rogers' Big Bugs, which included eleven oversized, organic sculptures of insects. They generated considerable excitement for eleven weeks, increasing our attendance by 44% and our membership by 25%. This presentation set the stage for additional sculpture to arrive at The Arboretum on a more permanent basis. We are fortunate to have received on long-term loan two pieces by Bret Price, entitled Blue Runner and Untitled Wicket, as well as Floating by Gerry Walburg. Other possible additions to our new collection are currently being researched. These pieces of art continue to elicit wide-ranging reactions, leading to exciting and thought provoking discussions.

The concept of the garden as art has also been approached in many ways. Historically, our art class offerings have always been popular. In early July, The Arboretum hosted Dick Rauh, a prominent plant morphologist from The New York Botanical Garden, to teach a five-day workshop focusing on the structure and shape of plants (plant morphology). Many artists and botanical illustrators attended the class and it was filled to capacity. Those who attended were most enthusiastic about the course and are excited about the possibility of similar workshops being offered by The Arboretum in the future. We plan to exhibit some of the resulting creations by these fine artists in order for the public to enjoy.

In addition, The Arboretum will be presenting Cross-Pollination, by Fringe Exhibitions, during the month of November. This unusual and exciting exhibit will feature impressions of flowers by 100 artists from both coasts of the United States.

The perception of the garden as art is certainly evident in Sunset Magazine's Demonstration Gardens. Furthermore, the most recent Baldwin Bonanza featured a variety of Garden Galleries that could be adapted for the home yard. These ingenious works of art were designed by many talented artists, designers and architects.

Another approach to the garden as art will be highlighted in the future long-range plan. As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, Nancy Goslee Power Associates will begin the important process of developing the visual plan for The Arboretum of the future. It will be exciting to be able to exhibit our vast collections in artfully designed and inspired landscapes and buildings.

The Arboretum is working in many ways to challenge our guests' comfort level, expose him or her to new perceptions and gain an appreciation of art in the garden as well as the garden as art.

Annual Meeting — September 30
We hope to see you!

The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation's annual meeting will take place at The Arboretum on Sunday, September 30 at 3:00 pm. All members of The Arboretum, their families and friends are cordially invited to come and enjoy the afternoon as we present the success of the last year and the highlights of the coming year and beyond.

Nancy Goslee Power will be the featured speaker. Her landscape design firm has been chosen to prepare a conceptual long-range plan to speed The Arboretum on its way to becoming a world class arboretum and botanic garden for Southern California. She and her team will discuss the conceptual long range plan for The Arboretum.

A comprehensive report covering the July 1, 2000-June 30, 2001 fiscal year will also be presented.

Please plan on attending this important meeting. We believe that you will find it interesting, enjoyable and worthwhile. We look forward to seeing you then.

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Weed Therapy!
Part 2

TO SPRAY OR NOT TO SPRAY? This is a question that continually faces our weed control program, control being the key word. Unfortunately, we will always have some weeds on our 127 acres!

As discussed in Part 1 of WEED THERAPY, the idea of a best practice, least toxic approach to pest control should not have to include the use of chemicals. Yet, as a last resort, there may be no choice. As such, synthetic chemicals are still used at The Arboretum. Rest assured their use is closely monitored.

The successful control of weeds incorporates the science of knowing the chemicals to use, their mode of action, and the life cycle of the particular weeds that need to be controlled. In the not so distant future we will be experimenting with these "garden friendly" products now available in the horticultural market place.

Corn Gluten Meal

Known for some time to be an effective weed suppressant, or pre-emergent, corn gluten is applied as a top dressing. When watered, an allelopathic chemical is produced by the corn and leaches from the gluten into the soil causing death to emerging sprouts. Corn gluten is also a great source of slow release nitrogen.

Salad Dressing

The virtues of lemon juice and white distilled vinegar, in combination together, have been known in the organic gardening world for years. This mixture is now being marketed by several companies as non-selective contact weed control products. So far, I have heard great reports as to their effectiveness.

Mulch

Probably the most effective non-chemical method of controlling weeds, mulch will provide an impenetrable layer for many weeds if spread at a depth of three inches thick. Mulch also reduces water loss from the soil, builds soils, and in most cases mulch is decorative, certainly looking better than exposed soils.

Weed Barrier Mat/Cloths

Frank McDonough, one of The Arboretum's Plant Information Specialists, highly recommends the use of a weed barrier mat, or weed block cloth. The cloth comes in rolls that can be cut and shaped to match the planting bed. Incisions are made directly into the cloth to plant whatever it is you are planting. The cloth blocks the sunlight weeds need for growth, thus killing the weeds. However, water, fertilizer and oxygen easily penetrate the porous material.

We will keep you updated on our use of these products at The Arboretum and their effectiveness.

Tim Phillips, Superintendent

ETHNOBOTANICAL LECTURE—OCTOBER 10

"The Light at the Edge of the World"

On Wednesday, October 10, Dr. Wade Davis, Explorer-in-Residence, National Geographic Society, will present "The Light at the Edge of the World."

Join us as we welcome this internationally renowned ethnobotanist to The Arboretum. The lecture begins at 8:00 pm in Ayres Hall. A welcoming reception with Dr. Davis will be held from 6:00 – 7:30 pm in the Sunset Demonstration Gardens prior to the program.

This lecture will take you to the far ends of the world, from Borneo to Tibet, from the high Arctic to the Amazon, as Davis shares his experiences as an anthropologist and plant explorer. For three years he traveled in the Andes and the Amazon, living among a dozen or more tribes as he searched for new sources of medicines and studied coca, the most sacred plant of the Inca and the notorious source of cocaine. Davis has collected many botanical specimens, worked with traditional healers and shamans, traversed the Andean Cordillera at fourteen points and twice descended the Amazon from source to mouth.

In the early 1980s, Dr. Davis' research took him to Haiti to study zombies, the living dead of Vodoun folklore, and to investigate the first medically documented case. Working among the secret societies, he identified a folk preparation that contained a powerful nerve poison capable of inducing a state of apparent death so profound that victims could actually be misdiagnosed as dead. This study, the basis of his dissertation research at Harvard, led to two books, *Passage of Darkness and The Serpent and the Rainbow,* the latter an international bestseller that appeared in 12 languages and was later made into a feature film by Universal Studios.

More recently his research has taken him to East Africa, the high Arctic, Tibet and the Orinoco Delta in Venezuela. He has chronicled the plight of natives in the Borneo rain forest in his books *Nomads of the Dawn and Penan: Voice for the Borneo Rainforest.* Other books by Davis include *One River, Shadows In the Sun, The Clouded Leopard, and Rainforest.*

Ticket Information

We will host a spirits and hors d'oeuvres reception prior to the lecture. Tickets for the reception and lecture are $40 for LAAF members and $45 for non-members. Reservations are required for the reception.

Lecture tickets only are $15 for non-members, $12 for members, and $8 for students with valid identification. Lecture tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door the evening of the lecture. For more information, see The Arboretum web site, www.arboretum.org, or call (626) 821-4623.

NEW COURSE ON THE BASICS OF GARDENING

"Green Side Up" Starts this September!

We are proud and excited to introduce "Green Side Up", our gardening basics series. This 3-part series begins in autumn with Green Side Up: The Basics of Gardening. Winter follows with The Basics of Perennials, and the spring's Basic Theme Gardens is sure to be a hit.

The series, designed to get you into your garden with more confidence than ever, is jam-packed with information, innovative ideas, and hands-on participation.

Lisa Norrick, our new staff member, will be spearheading this program. She comes to us with several years of experience at Oakhurst Gardens in Muncie, Indiana, where she taught Adult Gardening workshops, Kid's Gardening Daycamp and environmental education programs.

All classes will take place Wednesday afternoons from 2:30-4:40 pm in the Education Greenhouse. Program dates and details on each series are listed on the enclosed calendar. To sign up, call (626) 821-4623.

GOURD FAIR LA— SEPTEMBER 8 & 9

The "Gourd Heads" are Putting on an Ethnobotanical Party at The Arboretum!

On September 8 & 9, The Arboretum and the California Gourd Society will celebrate the many ways that groups of people (ethno) use plants (botanical) to make our lives a little better. And, the magical gourd will be "the plant" of the weekend celebration. Programs will center on the historical, cultural and contemporary use of hard shelled gourds.

"Gourd Fair LA" will bring together artists, gourd growers, gourd musicians, crafters and the horticulture community. **Weekend highlights include:**

…John Sturgeon, President of the American Gourd Society, will be bringing with him from Indiana **new gourd seed varieties** for shapes that are rarely seen in California. Seeds will be available for purchase.

…Pam Elam Geisel, director of the Master Gardener Program at the University of California Extension, will share home **gardening tips** and discuss gourds as a specialized small farm crop.

…Jim Bauml, The Arboretum's senior biologist, will present the **history of gourds** throughout the world.

… Leigh Adams will conduct outdoor seminars each day, sharing tips from her many years as an educator specializing in the **use of gourds to teach Spanish**. Gourds are great to integrate into art, music and science lessons. Lesson plan strategies will be shared.

…Mini-seminars include Noi Thomas showing gourds from her native Thailand and demonstrating how gourd art reflects her culture. Renowned gourd artist Patricia Boyd will share her inspiration sources used to create exotic African figures. Native American artists Sue Erb and Peal Reece will also be participating in the weekend celebration.

…Leigh Adams will be conducting a series of **children's programs**.

…A "Wall of Masks" exhibit, under the leadership of California Gourd Society Chairman, Larry Raymond of Pasadena, will feature **gourd masks** that span cultures around the globe

…**Dollmaker**, Lillian Hopkins of Santa Monica, will present a slide show of her work as well as exhibit some of her new creations

…Professor Phillip Morrison will direct a puppet show with students from California State University, Northridge, Art Department, and Betty Finch of Bakersfield will share some of her **delightful puppets**.

…**Gourd musicians**, Guillermo Martinez, Robert Hudson and Yashid will perform by making music from gourd flutes, drums and stringed instruments that they have created themselves.

…Some of California's best-known **gourd artists**, including Don Weeke, Larry MeClelland, Judy Cunningham and Doris Soyka, will be displaying their work in Ayres Hall.

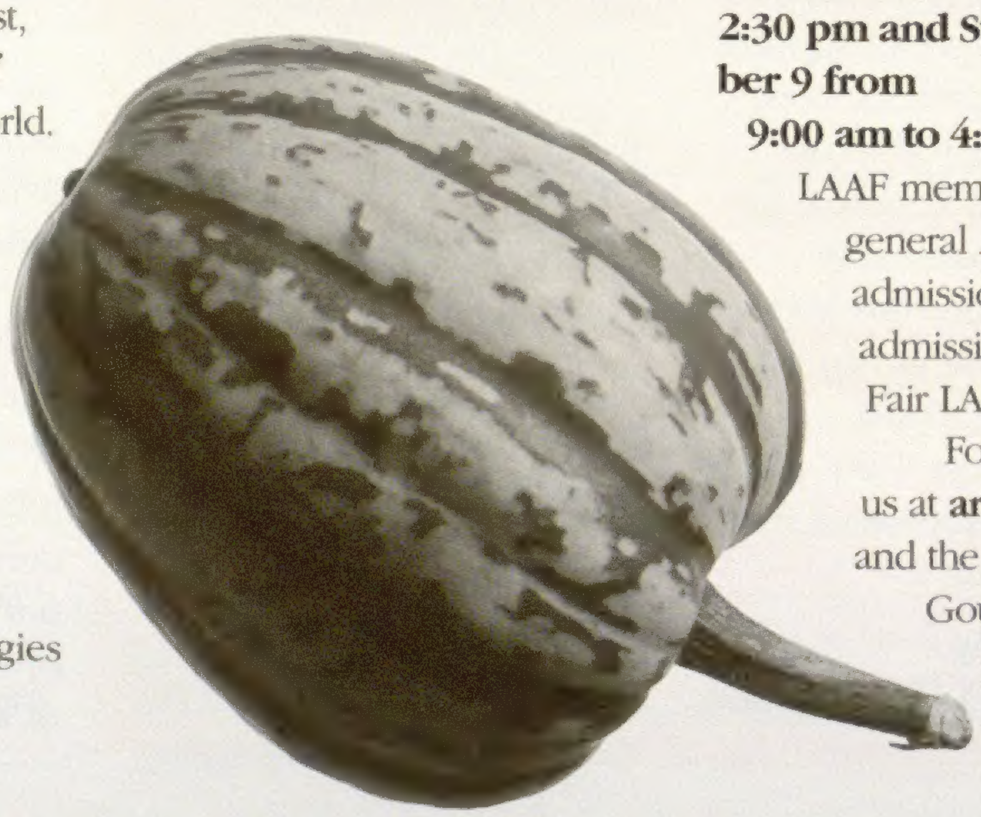
…Jim Widess, co-author of the *Complete Book of Gourd Crafting and Gourd Musical Instruments* will be signing copies of his **books** and displaying a full range of **gourd crafting products** from the Caning Shop in Berkeley.

…Gardeners from throughout California are invited to participate in a **gourd-growing contest**. Prizes will be awarded for the largest, smallest and most unusual gourds.

…And, lots and lots of craft-ready gourds for purchase.

So you can see, when we say Get Ready LA, the "gourd heads" are putting on a party, we really mean it! Hours for Gourd Fair LA are **Saturday, September 8 from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm and Sunday, September 9 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.** Your LAAF membership or general Arboretum admission fees covers admission to Gourd Fair LA.

For more info visit us at **arboretum.org** and the California Gourd Society at **calgourd.com**



CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2001

PLEASE CALL (626) 821-4623 FOR RESERVATIONS.

An old favorite with a new twist:

GREEN SIDE UP: THE BASICS OF GARDENING SERIES

Wednesdays
2:30 - 4:30 pm
Education Greenhouse
Lisa Norrick, Instructor

Come and learn the ins and outs of basic gardening skills! Whistle while you weed...learn everything you'll need!

GREEN SIDE UP: FALL GARDENING BASICS

8 Wednesdays, Sept. 12 - Oct. 31
$75/90 non-members

Sept. 12: Green Side Up, Brown Side Down— *Basic Botany/ Plant Biology*

Sept. 19: Mud Pies and Energy Shakes— *Soil/ Fertilizers*

Sept. 26: How to make a Dirt and Worm Garden— *Composting/ Mulch*

Oct. 3: Let's Make More! *Plant propagation/ dividing and transplanting*

Oct. 10: Good Bugs Eat Bad Bugs— *Integrated pest management (IPM)*

Oct. 17: Good Cut, Bad Cut— *Pruning and Deadheading*

Oct. 24: Our Favorite Toys— *Supplies and How to Care for Them*

Oct. 31: Picture Pages— *Basic Garden Design*

GREEN SIDE UP: WINTER PERENNIAL BASICS

6 Wednesdays, Jan. 9 - Feb. 13, 2002
$65/80 non-members

Jan. 9: Roses are Red— *Roses – History, Care, Varieties*

Jan.16: Roots for You— *All about Bulbs, Rhizomes, Tubers, & Stolons*

Jan. 23: Eat'ums and Smellies— *Herbs – History, Care, Varieties*

Jan. 30: The Tall and the Small— *Trees & Shrubs – Varieties & Care*

Feb. 6: Go Native! *Learn about our Native Californians*

Feb. 13: Easy Does it— *Top 20 Easy Care Perennials for Our Region*

GREEN SIDE UP: SPRING THEME GARDEN BASICS

6 Wednesdays, March 6 - April 10, 2002
$65/80 non-members

March 6: Plant a Pot of Posies— *Basics of a Container Garden*

March 13: Food for Thought— *Basics of a Vegetable Garden*

March 20: Garden of Memories— *Basics of a Fragrance Garden*

March 27: Got Water? *Basics of a Drought Tolerant Garden*

April 3: Gardens All-a-Flutter— *Basics of a Butterfly & Hummingbird Garden*

April 10: Flower Power— *Basics of an Edible Flower Garden*

GARDEN SPROUTS - SATURDAY KIDS GARDENING CLUB!

Kids ages 5 - 8
1st Saturday of each month from Oct. 2001- June 2002
9:00am - 11:00am
Roots and Shoots Garden
Lisa Norrick, Instructor
Members - $25/quarter, or $10/Saturday
Non-Members - $30/ quarter, or $12/Saturday

We'll be spending our days planting and tending our garden, playing nature games, and learning gardening crafts!

FALL QUARTER:

Oct. 6: Pansy Mania! We'll plant pansies for the fall, press pansies, and make notecards!

Nov. 3: Dirt and Worm Day! Come and make a Worm Composter and Worm Windsocks!

Dec. 1: Garden Crafts— We'll make birdhouses for our garden, and many more nature crafts that you can use for the holidays!

WINTER QUARTER:

Jan. 5: Garden Journaling for January! Make nature prints and flower photos!

Feb. 2: Indoor Gardening— Join us for starting seeds and make your own terrarium!

March 2: Garden Art Day! Come make mosaic stepping stones & artful watering cans!

SPRING QUARTER:

April 6: Planting Veggies— It's planting day in the Vegetable Garden!

May 4: Yummy Flowers! Make tasty treats from our flower friends!

June 1: Harvest Party! Enjoy the food you grew and the friends you made!

About the Instructor, Lisa Norrick: A new transplant from Indiana, Lisa taught Adult Gardening Workshops, Kids' Gardening Daycamp, and designed a Children's Garden for an Environmental Education Center. Lisa also wrote a gardening column for the Muncie Star Press.

TOUR & TASTE THURSDAYS

Tour & Talk at 6 pm; Dine at 7:30 pm

Peacock Café.
$35 per person.

Enjoy an evening talk and special tram tour. Then enjoy dinner and wine provided by Renaissance Vineyard & Winery at the Peacock Café.

THURSDAY AUGUST 9

PREHISTORIC GARDEN WALK THROUGH THE TROPICAL FOREST

Join Arboretum Superintendent Timothy Phillips on a tour through the Prehistoric Garden with a focus on ancient cone-bearing cycads that date to the Jurassic Period, when dinosaurs roamed the earth.

THURSDAY AUGUST 23

MOVIE LOCATIONS AT THE ARBORETUM

Join historian Sandy Snider in a [illegible] history of movie and television features filmed on location at The Arboretum.

Sold Out

ORNAMENTAL PLANTS

A COLLEGE CREDIT COURSE: MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE

Mondays,
August 13 - Dec. 10

11 am - 4 pm

Peacock Café Annex

3 units credit

$41 to Mt. San Antonio College; $30 to Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation (includes semester-long Arboretum pass)

A detailed study of herbaceous plants, including their identification. Herbaceous plants often include annuals, perennials and bulbs. Register at first class, or call (909) 594-5611, ext. 4540.

PLANTS FOR WATER GARDENS

Saturday, August 18

9 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Includes a walking tour of The Arboretum water gardens

Barbara Koenig, Instructor

$12 members / $15 non-members includes starter plant

Class begins with a slide-lecture on aquatic and pond edge plants for water gardens. Techniques for establishing and maintaining water plants will be discussed, and participants will receive a starter plant. The final two hours will be a walking tour of six pond and stream gardens at The Arboretum. Emphasis will be on creating and maintaining a naturalistic water garden.

PEN AND INK ILLUSTRATION

September 13 - 17 (Thursday - Monday)

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall A (Peacock Café Annex on Sept. 15)

$300 for members / $340 for non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor

This course will teach you the fundamentals of pen and ink techniques with an emphasis on plant drawing accuracy and ink drawing aesthetics.

CARBON DUST ILLUSTRATION

September 18 - 19 (Tuesday - Wednesday)

10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall A

$140 for members / $170 for non-members

Carol Morley, Instructor

Carbon dust rendering allows the artist to achieve photographic realism. Create fine detail and hard edges using tools and techniques as demonstrated step by step in class.

BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

8 Mondays, September 17 - November 5

9:30 - 11:30 am

Lecture Hall A (except Sept. 17 - Lecture Hall B)

$35 / $42 non-members

Paint fresh flowers from The Arboretum with fellow watercolorists. This self-directed workshop (no official instructor) provides an opportunity for painters to learn from one another in an encouraging environment.

FANATIC GARDENERS

8 Thursdays, September 20 - November 8

8 Fridays, September 21 - November 9

9:30 am - Noon

Lecture Hall A

Jan Smithen, Instructor

Classes are currently filled. Call (626) 821-4623 to join the waiting list.

IKEBANA

8 Fridays, September 21 - November 9

9:30 - 11:30 am

Lecture Hall B

Reiko Kawamura, Instructor

$65 / $80 non-members

$24 materials fee payable to the instructor

Learn Japanese cultural traditions while practicing the techniques of Moribana, Heika and landscape arrangements. Individual instruction is given. Bring a 10" to 12" shallow container, clippers and a needle holder (frog) to the first class.

GOURD ART CLASS FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN!

Saturday, September 22

Two classes: 10 & 11 am

Education Greenhouse

Leigh Adams, Instructor

$10 / $12 non-members

Maximum 20 students per class

Decorate a gourd to make a fantasy creation. Materials include paint, feathers, glitter, buttons, etc. Make animals, finger puppets, centerpieces… the limit is your imagination! Leigh will offer guidance along the way.

INFORMATION: Call (626) 821-4623 or (626) 821-4624 for information or to register for a class. Please fax to (626) 821-4642 or mail your registration form with your method of payment to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007-2697.

Reservations are required for all classes, programs and events. Registration on the day of the program is allowed if space is available.

NO CONFIRMATION IS SENT. ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. However, classes may be cancelled due to low registration. Cancelled classes are fully refunded.

Special assistance is available for people with disabilities. Call the Program Manager at (626) 821-4623 at least one week prior to the program for specific requests.

REGISTRATION ONE CLASS/EVENT PER FORM PLEASE

Class/Event _____ LAAF Member $_____ No. of people _____ Total $_____

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COLOR PENCIL FOR ILLUSTRATION

6 Tuesdays, September 25 - October 30

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt, Instructor

$180 / $200 non-members

Apply color pencil techniques to your botanical illustrations. Demonstrations include color mixing exercises, textural techniques and color application.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION III - COMPOSITION

6 Wednesdays, September 26 - October 31

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt, Instructor

$180/ $200 non-members

Create a pleasing composition for your botanical sketches. Demonstrations will take you step by step from sketch to a final composition. Botanical Illustration II: Drawing Plants course is recommended before you take composition. Please bring your sketches for the first class meeting.

EXTENDING THE EXPERIENCE: CONTINUING STUDIES IN BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

6 Wednesdays, September 26 - October 31

9 am - Noon

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt, Instructor

$180/ $200 non-members

This is an opportunity for artists to continue with their studies in botanical illustration throughout the year by signing up for the current botanical illustration class and working independently under the guidance of Olga Eysymontt. Prerequisite: One other class in Botanical Illustration with Olga.

WEEKEND BOTANICAL ART CLASSES: OTIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN

Saturdays and Sundays

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Peacock Café Annex

Olga Eysymontt, Instructor

Please call Otis College for information and Registration: (310) 661-6850

Two different credit or non-credit courses are held on Saturdays and Sundays

BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR TECHNIQUES

Saturdays, Sept. 29, Oct. 6 & 20, Nov. 3 & 17, Dec. 1

BOTANICAL DRAWING & ILLUSTRATION

Sundays, Sept. 30, Oct.7 & 21, Nov. 4 & 18, Dec. 2

ETHNOBOTANY LECTURE: THE LIGHT AT THE EDGE OF THE WORLD

Wednesday, October 10

8:00 pm

Ayres Hall

Dr. Wade Davis, lecturer Explorer-in-Residence, National Geographic Society

Lecture only: $12 / $15 non-members; $8 students with identification

Lecture and Reception: $40/ $45 non-members

See page 3 of the newsletter for further details.

FANTASTIC FALL FLORAL DESIGN WORKSHOP!

Tuesday, October 16

3 - 5 pm

Education Greenhouse

Stella and Bob Berry, Instructors

$65 members / $80 non-members (includes all materials)

Maximum 18 people

The Berrys provide spectacular and elaborate arrangements for presidential parties and important LA events. They have been creating blankets of flowers for winners at Santa Anita race track for 42 years. They judge Los Floristas and various fairs and participate in the Huntington Botanical Garden's mum and orchid festivals. Sign up for this special workshop and create (and take home!) an amazing arrangement of foliage, fruit and flowers. Bring clippers and gloves.

TAI CHI IN THE GARDEN

Every Tuesday and Friday

7:30 - 8:30 am

Marvin Quon, Instructor

Free for Arboretum members

Meet on the lawn near the main Baldwin Avenue entrance in front of the fountains

BIRD WALK

Saturday, October 20

8 - 11 am

Meet on the steps of The Arboretum entrance

Nelson Holmes, Guide, Birder and Naturalist

$10 members / $12 non-members

Join Nelson Holmes, Arboretum Senior Tour Guide, for a birding tour of The Arboretum, host to any number of species, and the stopping off point for many migratory birds. Bring a field guide and optics. All levels of birders are encouraged to participate.

TREE PRUNING

Sunday, October 21

1 - 3 pm

Lecture Hall A

Jerry Turney, instructor

$15 / $18 non-members

Pruning is both an art and a skill. Certified arborist and plant pathologist Jerry Turney will explain how growth occurs, how and when to prune properly, and the right tools to use.

PEACOCK PARADE & PUMPKIN DECORATING - THE NATURAL WAY!

Saturday, October 27

10 - 11:30 am

Under the big oak tree in front of Ayres Hall

$8 / $10 non-members - per pumpkin / 2 adults admitted free per reservation

Children ages 3-8 years only. Must be accompanied by an adult.

RESERVATIONS NECESSARY.

Come in costume and parade among the peacocks to our "pumpkin patch." Take home a pumpkin that you have decorated with natural materials from The Arboretum. This is an Arboretum tradition: sign up early!

SAVE THE DATE!

HOW TO PLANT A MEDICINAL GARDEN

Saturday, November 3

9 am - 1 pm

Stephanie Georgieff, Instructor

Explore how to design, grow, harvest and process medicinal herbs in your garden. Emphasis on indoor and container gardens that include herbs for relieving minor ailments.

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANTS

Wednesday, November 14

10 am - Noon

Elizabeth Schwartz, Instructor

Learn to weave California natives into your garden tapestry. We'll cover plant selection, maintenance, irrigation and more as you discover the merits of gardening with Californian plants.

MAKE A NATURAL WREATH!

Wednesday, December 5

10 am - Noon

Marla Carter and Delores Keller, Instructors

NEW SERIES - GARDENING IN A MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE

6 Tuesdays, January 15 - February 19

10 am - Noon

Jill Vig, Instructor

This class will focus on the techniques and delights of gardening in a mediterranean environment.

Walking Tour: Every Wednesday, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 11 am for a guided walk. Free with admission.

Bird Watching: First Sunday of each month, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 8 am for a guided walk to identify birds in The Arboretum. Free with admission.

Santa Anita Depot: Open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am-4 pm; Sundays, 1-4 pm. Free with admission.

Free Arboretum Admission: Third Tuesday of each month.

August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Patchwork Garden	2 Patchwork Garden Family Gardening	3 Patchwork Garden Tai Chi	4
5	6	7 Tai Chi	8	9 Family Gardening Tour & Taste: Prehistoric Garden Walk	10 Tai Chi	11 Concert: Festival on the Green
12	13 Herbaceous Plants	14 Tai Chi	15	16	17 Tai Chi	18 Plants For Water Gardens Cactus and Succulent Show
19 Cactus and Succulent Show	20 Herbaceous Plants	21 Tai Chi	22	23 Tour & Taste: Movie Locations at The Arboretum	24 Tai Chi	25 Concert: Festival on the Green
26	27 Herbaceous Plants	28 Tai Chi	29	30	31 Tai Chi	1 New Member Tram Tour

September

2	3 Labor Day	4 Tai Chi	5	6	7 Tai Chi	8 Gourd Festival Concert: Festival on the Green
9 Gourd Festival	10 Herbaceous Plants	11 Tai Chi	12 Green Side Up: The Basics of Gardening	13 Pen & Ink Illustration	14 Pen & Ink Illustration Tai Chi	15 Pen & Ink Illustration
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October

30 LAAF Annual Meeting Botanical Drawing	1 Herbaceous Plants Botanical Watercolor Workshop	2 Tai Chi Color Pencil Illustration	3 Green Side Up: The Basics of Gardening Composition	4 Fanatic Gardeners Volunteer Orientation	5 Tai Chi Fanatic Gardeners Ikebana	6 Kids Gardening Club Weekend Watercolor
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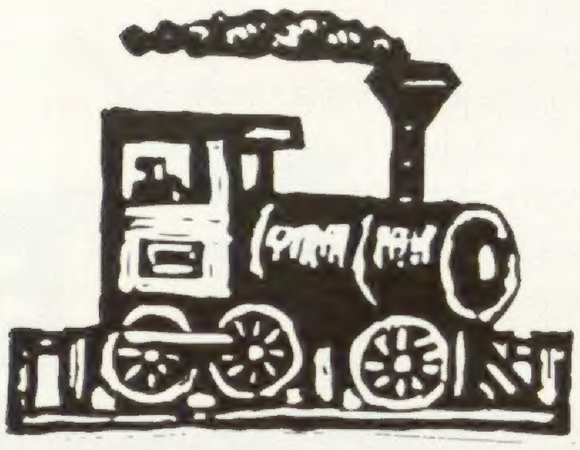
Model Train Show

October 27-28

Ayres Hall will be filled with model trains of all scales when The National Model Railroad Association Los Angeles Division presents their Model Train Show at The Arboretum on October 27 & 28. Show hours are from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm both days.



Many well-known Southern California clubs, including The Southern California Garden Railway Society, will present displays. Six-foot-long sections of train models, many with historical significance, will be interconnected, bringing the entire exhibit to life.

Be sure to stop by and see this terrific show. Railroad gift items will also be for sale. The exhibit is free to Arboretum members.

NEW COOKING CLASS PROGRAM

From Garden to Kitchen

This exciting new educational program, which debuts later this year, will feature local cooking teachers, chefs and gardeners, as well as nationally recognized cook book authors as they demonstrate, design and detail new and tasty recipes, fresh from the garden!

Peg Rahn, Chairman of the Cooking Program at The Arboretum, is presently putting final touches on a new custom cooking cart underwritten by Hortus Nursery. The cart's sturdy wheels mean that we can take it throughout the grounds for different cooking demonstrations, hands-on classes and of course, tastings.

We are also looking for enthusiastic culinary volunteers to assist with classes. Join us and have fun while improving your culinary IQ!

To volunteer, please contact Peg Rahn weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm at (626) 441-2075 or via e-mail at prahn@earthlink.net.

For general information about the upcoming cooking classes call (626) 821-4623.

Downsizing or Cleaning Out Your Kitchen?

Get a tax donation by donating your cooking treasures to our new cooking project! Item must be in good working condition.

We're starting from scratch, and need some help. We are seeking kitchen utensils, appliances and trays. We are particularly interested in kitchen basics (mixing bowls, measuring cups and spoons, spatulas, wooden spoons), small cooking appliances (mixers, waffle irons, ice cream makers, etc), as well as pots and pans, air-tight storage containers, etc. Call Peg Rahn at (626) 441-2075 weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm if you have donations.

NATURE EDUCATION

PINE Program Partnership

The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation has recently become a partner in Nature Education (PINE) with the University of California at Riverside Extension.

All foundation members are entitled to discounts on outdoor field nature courses offered by UCR Extension. Upcoming August Field Nature classes include Spider Identification, Astronomy and The San Gorgonio Wilderness area.

For upcoming class dates, fees or a free catalog, call (800) 442-4990, or email sciences@ucx.ucr.edu, or visit their web site at www.UCRExtension.net.

Just for Kids!

Calling all 5-8 year olds. Be a Garden Sprout!

Now you can have your very own garden at The Arboretum…not to mention a whole lot of fun in the dirt…. oops, we mean garden. Join the Saturday Kids Gardening Club and learn how to care for a garden plus much more.

Besides learning gardening basics, highlights include dirt & worm day, creating pansy note cards, building birdhouses, creating your own terrarium, planting a vegetable garden, making yummy flower treats to eat and finally celebrating your gardening success with a fantastic harvest party.

The Kids Gardening Club will meet the 1st Saturday of each month from October 2001 to June 2002 from 9:00–11:00 am at the Roots and Shoots Garden. Cost is $25/quarter or $10/Saturday for members; $30/quarter or $12/Saturday for non-members. Reservations are a must. Call (626) 821-4623 to register.

AT YOUR ARBORETUM:

New Frontiers, Community Outreach, New Programs

The 2001-2002 year brings expanded and enriched educational opportunities at The Arboretum. From conceptual development of the Ethnobotanical Center, the Children's Discovery Center and the Arrival Experience, to implementation of new workshop series, reaching out to new audiences and participating more in community events, the education department at The Arboretum is growing. It is growing in size, but more importantly, it is energetically supporting the education mission of The Arboretum, both on our own campus and also as outreach programs.

New Frontiers

The Arboretum is embarking on new frontiers, as it becomes a Powerful Partner in Azusa Unified School District's (AUSD) Project ATLAS (Advancing Technology Literacy for Azusa Students). AUSD recently received a five million-dollar Technology Literacy Challenge Grant from the state of California to support technology in the classroom. The Arboretum, along with the LA Zoo, the Museum of Tolerance, and the Aquarium of the Pacific, will be partnering with Azusa to provide dynamic educational opportunities for students that could not otherwise be acquired through traditional means in the classroom. By utilizing technology, students will work on projects in conjunction with The Arboretum which are applicable to their own classroom, as well as being of value to The Arboretum. We are pleased to have been chosen as a partner in this project, and hope to use this as a model to continue working with schools throughout Southern California.

Community Outreach

On July 21, The Arboretum participated in "Kid's World LA" at Santa Monica Place. Over 250 kids visited our activity and educational booths, where we were skeletonizing leaves, learning about vascular systems of plants, and creating beautiful cards and collages by making prints with natural materials. It was a fun day for our staff and volunteers, and we thank Santa Monica Place for including us.

New Programs

On Saturday, June 23 we hosted our first ever class in Chinese. Dien Liang gave a wonderful presentation in Chinese on the ancient arts of bonsai and penjing, and many first-time visitors to The Arboretum attended.

Another great new program, which debuts this fall, is "Garden Sprouts," our kids gardening club (see calendar section). We are pleased to be able to have more opportunities for kids; be on the lookout for others in the near future.

As we participate in and develop new programs, watch the shape of The Arboretum as it evolves. We are becoming more actively inclusive of youngsters and different cultures as we bolster our audience in preparation for the new facilities and programs on the horizon.

Gail L. Shair
Director of Education

CONGRATULATIONS LOS VOLUNTARIOS!

2001-2002 Officers, Awards & Orientation

New Officers

On June 11, Los Voluntarios, the volunteer arm of The Arboretum, elected their officers for 2001-2002. The new officers are President, Virginia Stein, serving a second year term; First Vice President, Jeannine Kiertzner; Second Vice President, Barbara Telford; Secretary, Gina Shaw and Treasurer, Mary McGrath.

Awards

In addition, many volunteers received service awards. A special thanks to:

30 Years of Service:
Inger Dix and Susie Jensen

25 Years of Service:
Barbara Cohen, Jo Harley

20 Years of Service: Gloria Buchanan, Marjorie Gillingham, Patsy Harbicht, Patty Rider, Dorothy Stumbo

15 Years of Service:
Esma Buckeridge, Betty Buschmann, Ginny French, Bea Hart, Carol Jackson, Ken Quigley

10 Years of Service:
Helen Alexander, Erma Anderson, Richard Bowe, Dorothy Bristing, Pam Hames, Bunny Hogan, Gordon Levstik, Kathy Liu, Carmel Padgett, Elaine Regnier

From left: Virginia Stein, Jeanine Kiertzner, Barbara Telford, Gina Shaw and Mary McGrath.

Volunteer Orientation Dates

"Discover The Arboretum", a comprehensive six-week orientation course to prepare new and prospective volunteers for work at The Arboretum will begin on Thursday, September 27. Six classes will be held on consecutive Thursday mornings from 9:00 am to Noon.

Orientation will include sessions on The Arboretum's Orchid Collection, Tropical, Orchid and Propagation/ Education greenhouses, the Lucky Baldwin story and historical buildings, including the Queen Anne Cottage and Hugo Reid Adobe, the Victorian Rose, Herb, Meadowbrook and Kallam Perennial Gardens, and much much more.

Becoming a volunteer is a perfect way to thoroughly enjoy all of The Arboretum's benefits. For information, contact Nancy Pirovano, Volunteer Coordinator at (626) 821-4623.

A Special Thanks:

Many many thanks to volunteer Clyde Reavis for his never ending commitment to keep us looking good with his fantastic photos. Clyde's photos are regularly featured in our newsletters, advertising, and most recently in our new membership brochure. He can often be found at The Arboretum sporting his camera and Los Vols badge. So if you should by chance run into him, please be sure to thank him for his great work and contributions.

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AMERICAN CHINESE TELEVISION

World Pop Star Search 2001 Comes to The Arboretum

The most popular and successful event among Chinese youngsters around the world, the B.C.C. (Broadcast Corporation of China) World Pop Star Search Championship Finals will be held at The Arboretum on August 18, along with a special music festival. The Contest and Music Fair, co-sponsored by The Arboretum, will be from 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

ACTV will telecast the championship special on TV and web, with an estimated one million viewers across the United States tuning in to watch. The champion will represent the Los Angeles area and fly to Taiwan to compete with finalists from all over the world. Last year's first place winner, competing against over 20,000 participants, has already released two popular albums in Taiwan.

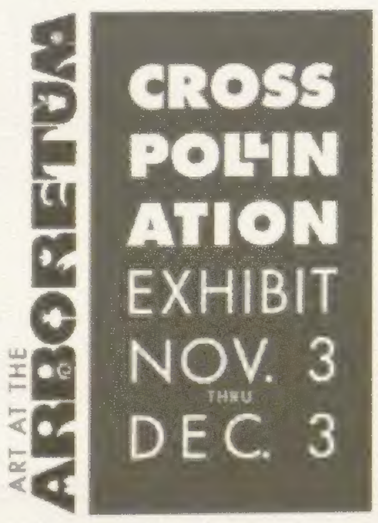
Be sure to come out for a fantastic day of extraordinary music performances.

NOVEMBER 3-DECEMBER 3

Cross-Pollination Art Exhibit

featuring 100 Artists

Cross-Pollination began as a question posed by curators Susan Joyce and Mery Lynn McCorkle: If they invited 50 artists from each coast, California and New York respectively, would they be able to see a discernible difference in culture reflected in the work of the artists?



Each artist was given identical wooden dowels and told they could create a flower sculpture with a stem no taller than 22 inches and flower sculpture no larger that 4 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches. The material for the sculpture was their choice.

The exhibit opened in New York on March 17, 2001 and will come to The Arboretum on November 3 and stay through December 3.

Watch for details of this month long art exhibit and education program in the next newsletter or visit www.arboretum.org for details starting in September.

As a loosely conducted experiment, the exhibit yields some interesting results that you won't want to miss!

What's Blooming?

LATE JULY, AUGUST

Crape myrtle (*Lagerstroemia*), a small, multi-trunked tree covered with large clusters of crimson, magenta, lavender, bright pink, or white flowers according to which of our 22 different varieties you see.

Nursery Fence & Tropical Rain Forest: Chameleon vine (*Combretum fruticosum*) has spectacular brush-like flowers that turn from greenish-yellow to orange.

Peacock Café: Chinese flame tree (*Koelreuteria bipinnata*) starting to show its pink seed capsules. Seven of these beautiful trees grace The Arboretum.

Near Meyberg Waterfall: *Harpullia arborea*, a cold-hardy native of India and Malaysia recognized by its bright orange seed capsules and shiny jet-black seeds hanging from its canopy.

SEPTEMBER

African Section: crimson red flowers of the *Haemanthus coccineus*; the white spikes of *Urginea maritima* blooming across the road in the African section.

West of Meyberg Waterfall: the fantastically fragrant Orange jessamine (*Murraya paniculata*)

Top of Tallac Knoll: different varieties of *Hibiscus rosa-sinensis; Coffea arabica*, the Coffee plant, covered in fragrant white blooms.

OCTOBER

The lawn west of Ayres Hall: *Chorisia speciosa*, (Floss silk tree), a spiny-trunk South American native covers itself in orchid-like pink blooms. The Arboretum has introduced four varieties: Arcadia, LASCA Beauty, Los Angeles Beautiful and September Splendor. Their bloom period continues from September through the end of fall.

Australian Section: ornamental Red-cap gum (*Eucalyptus erbthrocorys*) whose yellow, filamentous blooms open pompom-like amid its branches.

Top of Tallac Knoll: Angel's trumpet (*Brugmansia*) with white, yellow, and pink trumpets.

Compiled by
Frank McDonough

Mark Your Calendar

TOUR & TASTE:
August 9:
Prehistoric Garden Walk
August 23:
Movie Memories

CAL-PHIL "FESTIVAL ON THE GREEN":
August 11: Broadway's Best
August 25: Romeo & Juliet
September 8:
How The West Was Won
September 22: Russia's Giants

August 18-19:
Cactus and Succulent Show and Sale
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

September 1-2:
Fern and Exotic Plant Show and Sale
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

October 20-21:
Winter Cactus Show
9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Beyond the Camera Lens

"In the Arboretum I have rediscovered myself and regained a sense of harmony, as well as tranquility, wisdom and strength." **Li Xie, contest participant**

The Arboretum was privileged to co-sponsor the first annual community-wide photo contest with L.A. Web, Inc., publisher of the Chinese L.A. Daily News and Zhong Guo Daily News.

The 2-month contest attracted over 460 photo enthusiasts from all over the San Gabriel Valley and beyond. An entry from Seattle was even received!

While billed as an amateur contest, the photo entries were all professional in quality.

Photo judges from The Arboretum included volunteer and staff photographer Clyde Reavis, who graciously provided his technical expertise, Nelson Holmes, staff naturalist and senior tour guide, who lent his knowledge of The Arboretum's flora and fauna, and staff member Felicia Friesma. In addition, Meher McArthur, Curator of East Asian Art at the Pacific Asia Museum bestowed her professional wisdom in the field of art.

Twenty-one winners were selected in categories as follows:

Grand Prize: X. P. Wang

Children's Category, K-6:
First Place: Carlton Shum
Honorable mentions: Michelle Wang and Han Jade Chan

Children's Category, 7-12:
First Place: Jason Yong

Honorable Mentions: Thomas Wu and April Giron

Landscapes:
First Place: Bao Ping Chan
Honorable Mentions: Wang Zheng and Steven Chen

Black and White:
First Place: Harry Yeh

Wildlife:
First Place: Jenny Chao
Honorable Mention: Quan Sun

Gardens:
First Place: Sam Hsieh
Honorable Mentions: Jason Chen and Quan Sun

Botanical Specimens:
First Place: Tamar Kuo
Honorable Mentions: Vicky Wu and Wen Shi Jin

Historical:
First Place: Yencan Tsai
Honorable Mention: Lina Li

You can view the winning photographs by visiting The Arboretum website. You will also see many of the photo entries throughout the coming year in this newsletter. Thanks to all of the participants who made this a truly inspiring event. We look forward to hosting it again next year.

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ADMISSION:
$5 Adults, $3 Students and Seniors, $1 Children 5-12, Free for children under 5 and Arboretum members

SUMMER HOURS - June 4 to August 31, 2001:

Monday through Friday: Opens at 9 am; members may enter at 8 am; rotunda closes at 6:30 pm; visitors must exit grounds by 7 pm.

Saturday and Sunday: Opens at 9 am; members may enter at 8 am; rotunda closes at 4:30 pm; visitors must exit grounds by 5 pm.

Festival on the Green Saturdays: August 11 and 25, September 8 and 22: Rotunda closes at 2:30 pm.; visitors must exit grounds by 3 pm

REGULAR HOURS - After August 31, 2001:
9:00 am to 4:30 pm Daily.
Closed December 25.

WEBSITE: www.arboretum.org